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TO: Chairman, Board of Selectmen, State Agency Heads, School Districts, Nonprofit Organizations

SUBJECT: Major Disaster Declaration - Applicant Briefing Meetings (Public Assistance Only)

On October 26, 2005, President George W. Bush, as a result of the October Flooding, declared the State of New Hampshire eligible for a major disaster declaration for the period of October 7th through October 18, 2005. The major disaster declaration for Public Assistance includes the counties of Belknap, Cheshire, Hillsborough, Merrimack, and Sullivan.

Your community and/or organization is located in one of the declared counties and is eligible to apply for Disaster Public Assistance if you incurred costs from this event during the incident period. If your community is interested in applying for disaster assistance, we ask that a representative from your community who is familiar with the event and would be available to assist the Federal and State Teams throughout the process attend one of the following meetings:

November 3, 2005	November 3, 2005	November 7, 2005
3:00 pm	7:00 pm	10:00 am
KEENE	CHARLESTOWN	HANCOCK
Recreation Center	Silbury Library	Library
312 Washington St.	Main Street/Route 12	25 Main Street/Rts.123&137
Keene, NH	Charlestown, NH	Hancock, NH

November 8, 2005	November 8, 2005
10:00 am	3:00 pm
CONCORD	LACONIA
NH Emergency Mgmt	City Hall
Johnson Hall	45 Beacon Street East
107 Pleasant Street	Laconia, NH
Concord, NH	

These meetings will provide you with information about the declaration process, eligibility, and document preparation. It is imperative that a staff person, such as the Road Agent/Public Works Director and/or Finance Director of your community, be present at one of these meetings to apply for federal assistance and facilitate the application process.

If you have any questions and/or you cannot make one of the briefings, please call your Field Representative or Tammy Vaillancourt, Public Assistance Coordinator at 1-800-852-3792.